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Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

Al Meyer

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COUNCIL CONSIDERS PURCHASE OF LINCOLN PAINTING BY MAYER

Purchase of a 36 by 44 inch oil painting of Abraham Lincoln by Al Meyer, noted St. Louis artist, was to be discussed by the city council this afternoon. The portrait was hung temporarily over the mayor's desk in the council chamber and a light installed over it. The picture probably will remain in the council room if it is bought from Barker's Art store, 405 East Adams street.

Mayer has painted some of the best pictures of Lincoln in existence, except a few taken directly from life, it was stated today by Duncan McDonald, manager of the art store. Lincoln was a member of the town board of Springfield shortly before it became a city, Mayor J. Emil Smith said today. At present there is not a large picture of Lincoln in the city hall.

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